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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant: Jon Ocel et al.

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Title: FLUID-ASSISTED ELECTROSURGICAL INSTRUMENT WITH  
SHAPEABLE ELECTRODE

Examiner: Peter J. Vrettakos

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Docket No.: M190.134.101



Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir/Madam:

**PETITION FOR ONE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME**

It is requested that the time for filing the Request for Continued Examination, which is in response to the final Office Action mailed August 5, 2003, having a three-month response date of November 5, 2003, be extended to **December 5, 2003**.

The fee in the amount of \$110.00 is enclosed to cover the extension fee as set for under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(1).

Respectfully submitted,

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**CERTIFICATE UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.8:**

The undersigned hereby certifies that this paper or papers, as described herein, are being deposited in the United States Postal Service, as first class mail in an envelope address to: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on this 7th day of December, 2003.

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